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ROANOKE COLLEGE GAINS VICTORY IN INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE

Indian Debating Team Loses by Small Margin
in Last Contest of Season

On Friday last the final intercollegiate debate of the session was held, against Roanoke College, in the Salem courthouse. The affirmative side of the question, Resolved, that the United States should abandon the Monroe Doctrine as its governing principle in international relations, was upheld by the debaters from William and Mary.

Mr. Blackwelder opened the debate for Roanoke College and in a well delivered speech presented to the audience the three issues; first, the doctrine is supported by authority; second, it is endorsed by Europe and South America, and finally, the doctrine protects the national safety of the United States. Cremer, the second Roanoke debater, advanced the two points, the Monroe Doctrine is supported by the people of the United States, and that it is not aggressive. Ferguson and Simms presented clearly and effectively their indictments against the Monroe Doctrine, which are already familiar.

In rebuttal the work of both Ferguson and Simms was especially good. Blackwelder for Roanoke also called forth the enthusiastic applause of the crowd which taxed the capacity of the courthouse to the utmost.

The work of all the speakers was above the average. Until the presiding officer announced the decision of the judges, there was much uncertainty as to which team had really won the debate. The vote was two to one in favor of Roanoke College.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Announcement is made this afternoon, (Tuesday, April 4th), of the marriage of Mr. Richard E. P. Ham, editor of the Southwest Times, to Miss Elsie Porter Trout, of Spring Lake, New Jersey. The bride has been the guest of Mr. Ham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene P. Ham, at Maple Shade Inn for several weeks and is well known in the city. The happy couple is spending a short honeymoon trip in Southwest Virginia.---Southwest Times.

INDIANS WIN ONE AND LOSE THREE ON TRIP

Defeated by A. & M., Trinity and University, But
Win From Elon. Last Two Games Cancelled

Saturday afternoon the Varsity returned from the training trip in North Carolina, having defeated Elon College, but having lost to Trinity, the University of North Carolina and the Agricultural and Mechanical College. Rain caused the last two games, the one against Elon and one at Oak Ridge Institute, to be cancelled, and the Varsity returned one day before they were expected.

THE ELON GAME

Outhitting Elon College the Indians defeated the Crimson and White at Elon by a 5 to 4 score Thursday afternoon. "Pete" Williams, regular first sacker, was put in the box against the Elonites. Two hits off him mixed with errors gave the Down Homers three tallies in the first frame. Forehand relieved Williams in the third canto and hurled for two frames, allowing no hits. But in the fifth two men singled and Garnett was called on to finish the game.

William and Mary scored Spencer off hits in the third. After M. Williams had reached first on an error he was scored by Stryker's safety in the fourth. Heflin and Newton scored in the fifth as the result of hits mixed with an error. The fifth counter was made in the seventh when Heflin singled and was scored by M. Williams' safety. Elon counted its fourth score in the sixth

as the result of an error coupled with a hit.

The timely s'ugging of the Indians featured.

Score by innings: R H E
W. & M. 001 120 100-5 10 2
Elon 300 001 000-4 5 3

Batteries—M. Williams, Forehand, Garnett and Combs; Bailey and Purcell.

CAROLINA 3, INDIANS 2

At Chapel Hill on Wednesday the Indians lost to the University of North Carolina by a 3 to 2 score. Carolina did not score until the seventh, William and Mary leading til then 2 to 0. In the seventh, off an error, a three-bagger and a single, Carolina scored twice. The scoring ended in the eighth when the Tar Heels sent a man over the plate as the result of a pass, a sacrifice and a single.

Garnett pitched good ball for the Indians. He allowed six safeties and struck out eight heavy-hitting Carolinians. In only one frame did he allow hits to be bunched andth at was in the seventh when a triple and a single were garnered off his delivery.

The Indians were weak in hitting, only one safety being gathered from the offerings of Currie. Zehmer is credited with that.

In the third inning Zehmer singled and started to second. Lewis threw

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BASEBALL SCHEDULE

	W. & M.	Op.
March 25—Richmond Howitzers,	12	2
April 1—Union Theological Seminary,	4	0
April 3—North Carolina A. and M.	2	12
April 4—Trinity College,	2	10
April 5—University of North Carolina	2	3
April 6—Elon College	5	4
April 7—Elon College		rain
April 8—Oak Ridge Institute		rain
April 12—Richmond College (Champ)	Richmond	
April 20—Lehigh University	Cary Field	
April 22—Randolph-Macon (Champ)	Cary Field	
April 26—Hampden-Sidney (Champ)	Hampden-Sidney	
April 29—Richmond College (Champ)	Cary Field	
May 3—58th Co., Coast Artillery Corps	Cary Field	
May 6—Randolph-Macon (Champ)	Ashland	
May 10—Hampden-Sidney (Champ)	Cary Field	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF BOARD OF VISITORS HOLDS MEETING

Architect of New Dormitory Examines Site.
Board Has Received Petition

The executive committee of the Board of Visitors recently met and decided not to remove the Lee house. It is their intention to have students room in it when the dormitory rooms are filled.

The architect of the new dormitory met with the committee to look over the site chosen for the building. It was found that the space between the Steward's house and Boundary street is too small for the front of the dormitory, and it is proposed to construct the building so as to face the Dining Hall and Steward's House.

The Rector of the College has received the petition of the students' in regard to the dormitory, and it is understood that the Board will meet soon to consider the desirability of changing the site for the dormitory.

SAUNDERS WINS PAPER CHASE

The Academy track athletes went on a paper chase Monday afternoon. The trail led over some of the roughest country about here, crossing several swamps and thickets, and covered a total distance of about four miles. The "hares" were given a ten minutes start and managed to keep out of reach of the "hounds," although there was a spirited sight chase up the Duke of Gloucester street to the finish. Substantial prizes were offered for first and second place.

Saunders got in first with Gruver a close second. Gunn, by a beautiful sprint on the home stretch, beat Perry out for third place. This is the second chase the Academy boys have had this year and both of them have been thoroughly enjoyed.

MINIMUSES WIN

The Minimus led by Captain Deane, walloped the High School in an eight-inning affair Friday. The score was 13 to 5. Green pitched good ball for the "Runts."

The 1916 Register of Lehigh University, just published, shows that in this, the fiftieth anniversary year, the student registration is 775, considerably the largest in the University's history.

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THE HONOR SYSTEM

In our "College Comment" column there have appeared from time to time items in regard to the honor system at other colleges. It is a time when the honor system is receiving special consideration throughout the country, and an appropriate time for us to consider its working at William and Mary. We do not intend to enter into a discussion of its origin and history, for that does not affect us except in so far as a college that claims credit for initiating the system, should surely be the more careful of its trust.

I. The honor system in its last analysis must be based upon the sentiment of a "greatly preponderating majority." Just as are the civil laws of the community at large, so is the honor system of the college community. The laws against murder and forgery are the expression of the deep-seated wish of a preponderating majority and are enforced; the laws against spitting on the sidewalk, and regulating the length of sheets in hotels are, on the other hand, not enforced, simply because the deep-seated wish of the great majority is not back of them. So will any attempt to extend the honor system beyond the will of a large student majority be a failure and tend to laxness rather than strength. The "preponderating majority" must always be present, and if an attempt is made to broaden the scope of the system, the majority naturally decreases as the number of

activities included increases, and the result is a loss in efficiency.

II. Then, to what does the honor system apply at William and Mary? Most assuredly it applies to any attempt to gain or give assistance on an examination or test. The preponderating majority oppose cheating, and the honor system is effective. Does it apply to drinking, hazing, or the wearing of a certain kind of cap? We can say no as truly here as we said yes before. An overwhelming student sentiment does not oppose these practices to a sufficient degree to expel a student indulging in them. The communities from which the students come do not wholly ostracize a man for drinking, and the college community, without a longer continued and more definite educative effort than has as yet been made, can not be expected to change the undergraduate sentiment to such an extent. The preponderating majority is lacking and the honor system is as yet inapplicable.

Does our honor system apply to the copying of note-books, exercises, etc., which a professor takes for a student's individual work? Unfortunately, in our judgment, no. But the sentiment has practically reached a point where this may be included. That one man should be required to leave college for obtaining help once on a test, and another be allowed to copy continually his room-mate's work and give it to the professor as his own, is an inconsistency which we should not countenance and which we are glad to believe is being realized by the student-body. Surely there will be a preponderating majority in this important matter before long.

III. In order that the scope of an honor system may increase effectively, the sentiment of the student-body must be educated up to the support of the system as applied to the added activities. This education must be by the slow process of evolution as long as the "code of a gentleman" is the constitution of the honor system. What we need is a definite and simple constitution by which the new students may be educated, and which will provide for the legislation, control and penalties of the honor system. Such a constitution at William and Mary would naturally include cheating on examinations and tests, and we would add, for its educative effect, even if the preponderating majority be lacking, the copying of exercises and note books. A violation of the constitution as regards the latter would, possibly for the present, not carry with it the usual penalty of expulsion, but would call for a less severe punishment, such as a reprimand before the student-body. In a short time sentiment would be overwhelmingly opposed to copying written work, and we should have an honor system with which the new student would soon become familiar, and which would be far more effective than ever before.

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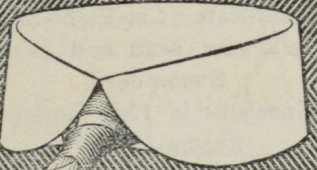
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COLLEGE COMMENT

Charles P. Taft, son of ex-President Taft has been reelected captain of Yale's basketball team.

A student at the University of Missouri claims to have broken the indoor pole vaulting record with a leap of twelve feet, eight and a quarter inches.

The Interscholastic Basketball series held under the auspices of University of Virginia, has been finished and Salem High was returned champion.

The Princeton baseball team will probably play the team of the Mutual Welfare League of Sing Sing Prison.

It is the expectation that one hundred leading colleges and universities of the country will be represented at the seventh annual convention of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars, to be held at Columbia University on April 18, 19 and 20. The program announced by President Walter P. Humphreys and Secretary Ezra L. Gillis calls for papers by leading Registrars and addresses by Clyde Furst, Secretary of the Carnegie Foundation, and Prof. Charles R. Mann, a research expert, Dean Schneider of the University of Cincinnati, and Dr. Philander P. Claxton, Federal Commissioner of Education.

The Honor System has been adopted by another college. Gettysburg is the latest added to the fast increasing list of colleges having the Honor System.

It is reported that it cost \$1,087,564 to educate the 325 men in the senior class at Yale.

The Columbia Graphophone Company will produce some records by the Penn. State Glee Club.

Columbia University will have a school of sanitary science and public health.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

"Prayer is a communion with God," said the Reverend Mr. Moncure, of the Baptist church, in his address last Thursday night before the Y. M. C. A. The speaker surveyed the religious and psychological aspect of prayer and cited many interesting cases of its practical application.

The president appointed a committee composed of three men to act as the Red Cross department of the Y. M. C. A. It will be the duty of this committee to co-operate with the college physician in giving aid to all sick students. They will visit the men who are sick and see that they receive the proper food and attention. The name of any sick student given to the Y. M. C. A. will be attended to at once.

Dr. Clark, of the Faculty, will deliver the address in Chapel next Thursday night, the 13th.

NOTED OF THE INDIANS

To-morrow, the championship season opens in Broad street Park, Richmond, with Richmond College as opponents. Students will be excused from lectures to attend the game.

William and Mary has as bright prospects for taking on another championship as any team in the Eastern Association.

The Indians garnered twenty-one hits in the four games last week in Carolina. Heflin, "Pete" Williams and Stryker each secured four, Newton got three, Moncure and Page Williams two each; Spencer one and Zehmer one.

Ten hits were made in the Elon game, one in the Carolina contest, four against A. & M., and six against Trinity.

Garnett allowed seven hits in sixteen innings, an average of less than one-half a hit to a frame.

W. D. Harris and H. G. Chandler are offering a double ticket to a single performance of the Coburn Players here to the Indian securing most hits in the Championship season.

A number of errors were made in the early games in Carolina. The fielding of the Indians showed marked improvement in the last two contests.

Although "Big Chief" came back from North Carolina with a sore arm, with several days rest he ought to be in fine form for the Spiders Wednesday. And the Varsity has been up against some dandy left-handers lately, thus being prepared for the curves of Dobson's southpaw Cox.

Indian rooters and fans are looking for some lively fun this Spring at the expense of the Tigers, Jack-ets and Spiders.

Forehand sent out the S. O. S. signal in the fifth inning at Elon and Cap was sent to the rescue.

The outfield certainly let the infield put it over them in hitting on the trip.

Academy supporters were very much disappointed that the rain caused the postponement of the game scheduled with Benedictine College Saturday.

Tuesday the Academy team leaves for a three-game trip in the eastern part of the state. Newport News High is played Tuesday, Hampton Wednesday, and the return game with Old Point College is played Thursday.

OH!

Mother---"Gladys, you stood on the porch quite a while with that young man last night."

Gladys---"Why, mother, I only stood there for a second."

Mother---"But I'm sure I heard the third and fourth."---Panther.

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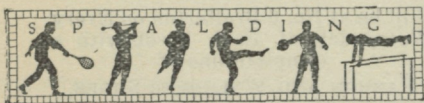
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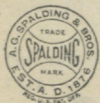
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to Patterson, who dropped it, and Zehmer kept going, scoring when Patterson, the second baseman, threw the ball over the third baseman. Lewis', head. In the fifth Patterson let Catcher Hart's peg get by him and P. Williams, who had reached first on an error, scored.

Score by innings: R H E
Carolina.....000 000 21x---3 6 5
W. & Mary.....001 010 000---2 1 1
Batteries---Currie and Hart; Garnett and Zehmer. Time of game---1:30

Tuesday Trinity College trounced the Orange and Black at Durham 10 to 2. Five errors mixed with six hits accounted for the Methodists' scores. M. Williams, the Indian first sacker, alone saved William and Mary from a scoreless defeat. His fielding was good and he slammed out a triple and a double in four trips to the plate. He drove in Newton and Moncure in the sixth, giving the varsity their two counters.

Trinity scored at will in the fifth canto, six runners counting.

Score by innings: R H E
Trinity.....112 060 00x---10 6 2
W. & Mary.....000 002 000 -- 2 5 5
Batteries---Powell and Lefler; James, Forehand, Garnett and Zehmer. Time of game---1:30.

The trip started disastrously at West Raleigh, Monday when the Agricultural and Mechanical college was met. In seven innings, played in rainy, cold weather, A. & M. scored twelve runs to William and Mary's two. James and Combs were the Indians' battery.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

The following is the schedule of championship games other than those on William and Mary's schedule:

April 10---Randolph - Macon vs. Hampden-Sidney, at Hampden-Sidney. 5-0.

April 22---Hampden - Sidney vs. Richmond College, at Richmond.

April 26---Richmond College vs. Randolph-Macon at Ashland.

April 29---Hampden - Sidney vs. Randolph-Macon, at Ashland.

May 3---Randolph-Macon vs. Richmond College, at Richmond.

May 6---Richmond College vs. Hampden-Sidney, at Hampden-Sidney.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

President Tyler attended a meeting of the state library board at Richmond last week.

Mr. H. C. Inman, ex-'18 visited at his home in Williamsburg Saturday and Sunday. Inman is attending the Medical College of Virginia.

Mr. W. M. Brayshaw has been forced to leave college on account of sickness. Mr. C. A. Scott is also ill at his home in Brookneal.

The last of the material for the

annual has been sent to the printers. The Echo will be ready for the public on May 20th.

Mr. Ashton Dovell, '07 and Mr. J. M. Hurt, '10, are practicing law as the firm of Dovell and Hurt with offices in the Bank of Williamsburg building.

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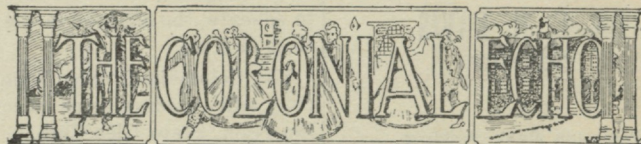
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